



## Rogers Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures

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### PURPOSE

In order to provide consistent radio terminology during both incidents and non-emergency events, the following policy implements standardized radio designators for apparatus.

### POLICY

To provide consistency among all fire companies (Truck, Rescue, Engine, Brush Pumpers, ARFF Unit) in the City of Rogers, the following radio designators shall be used by the various riding positions:

Company Officer – Company Designation + “Captain”  
*Example: “Ladder 1 Captain to Ladder 1 Pump”*

Driver/Operator – Company Designation + “Pump”  
*Example: “Ladder 1 Pump to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Command, we’re low on water”*

Firefighter(s) – Company Designation + “Firefighter”  
*Example: “Ladder 1 Captain to Ladder 1 Firefighter”*

If additional firefighters are present on the fire company (crew size > 3), then the suffixes “A”, “B”, “C”, etc shall be used consecutively to designate those members.

Normally it would not be necessary to use the suffixes since the company usually operates as a team. However, when the company is split up, this procedure will reduce confusion.

## **Front Line Apparatus**

All front line apparatus will use a functional assigned name (Engine, Ladder, Medic, Brush, Rescue), along with the assigned fire station number. For instance, the frontline engine assigned to Fire Station 7 would have the radio designator "Engine 7". Radio designators shall be derived from the Northwest Arkansas Metropolitan Fire Chiefs NIMS Typing Guide.

## **Reserve Apparatus**

All reserve apparatus will use their functional assigned name and along with the number "20" added to their assigned station. For instance, a reserve engine assigned to Fire Station 1 would have the radio designator "Engine 21". For multiple reserve units assigned to the same station, the suffixes "Alpha" or "Bravo" will be added. For instance, a second reserve engine assigned to Fire Station 1 would have the radio designator "Engine 21 Alpha". All reserve staff vehicles will use the designator "Car 21" regardless of the actual vehicle being driven.

## **Training Center**

Apparatus assigned to the Training Center will utilize the number "20" and their assigned functional designator. For example, a ladder assigned to the Training Center would be "Ladder 20". This number indicates a reserve status outside of a conventional fire station assignment.

## Officer and Staff Positions

Staff officers and other individual radio designators will begin with the numeric value of “31”. This is to reduce confusion between individual station numbers and reserve designators. The various divisions of the Department will be broken down to allow for growth and formatting of radio designators.

<b>Administration and Field Operations Division 30 Series</b>	<b>Training Division and Special Operations 40 Series</b>	<b>Fire Prevention Division 50 Series</b>	<b>Specialty Units and Functions 60 Series</b>
<b>CAR 31</b> – Fire Chief	<b>CAR 41</b> – Deputy Chief of Training and Special Operations	<b>CAR 51</b> – Deputy Chief of Prevention	<b>CAR 61</b> – Physical Resources Technician
<b>CAR 32</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 42</b> – Captain, Training Division	<b>CAR 52</b> – Battalion Chief, Prevention Division	<b>CAR 62</b> – Emergency Management Coordinator
<b>CAR 33</b> – Deputy Chief Field Operations	<b>CAR 43</b> – Captain, Training Division	<b>CAR 53</b> – Captain, Prevention Division	<b>CAR 63</b> – Medical Director
<b>CAR 34</b> – A Platoon Battalion Chief	<b>CAR 44</b> – Captain, Training Division (EMS)	<b>CAR 54</b> – Captain, Prevention Division	<b>CAR 64</b> – Airport Director
<b>CAR 35</b> – B Platoon Battalion Chief	<b>CAR 45</b> – Captain, Training Division (EMS)	<b>CAR 55</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 65</b> – Reserved
<b>CAR 36</b> – C Platoon Battalion Chief	<b>CAR 46</b> – SOT Director	<b>CAR 56</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 66</b> – Reserved
<b>CAR 37</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 47</b> – SOT Rescue Coordinator	<b>CAR 57</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 67</b> – Reserved
<b>CAR 38</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 48</b> – SOT Hazmat Coordinator	<b>CAR 58</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 68</b> – Reserved
<b>CAR 39</b> – Reserved	<b>CAR 49</b> – Intern	<b>CAR 59</b> – Intern	<b>CAR 69</b> – Reserved